

Kirby Seeks Measures To Control Drug Abuse

A two-part program to curb abuses of narcotics and dangerous drugs has been proposed by John D. Kirby, Republican candidate for the State Assembly in the 68th District.

Kirby called for a mandatory 30-year prison term for persons convicted of illegal sales of any dangerous drug or narcotic to a minor and also proposed the establishment of a new state agency to undertake a statewide education program on the dangers of drug abuse.

A 30-year mandatory prison term has been recommended by the U.S. Treasury Department's Narcotics Bureau, Kirby said. Under his proposal, persons convicted of selling narcotics or other dangerous drugs to a minor would be sentenced to 30 years in prison without the possibility of probation or parole. The sentence would be mandatory and not left to a judge's discretion, Kirby said.

The new agency, Kirby said, would be a low budget item and would send educators and other specialists into schools to discuss the dangers of drug abuse. The four penalties of drug abuse, Kirby said, are "physical, psychological, social, and legal" penalties.

Orchid Lady Salon Now Observing Anniversary

Sincere interest in each customer is the reason for her success, Mrs. Ella Ochwat, owner of the Orchid Lady Beauty Salon, says.

Orchid Lady Salon, located at 17424 Prairie Ave., currently is observing its fourth anniversary.

More than 9,000 permanent waves have been given since the salon first opened its doors.

Catering to the working girl and the busy housewife, the salon is open five evenings each week. Eleven beauty operators are on duty and customers may request their favorite operator when making an appointment.

"The policy of our salon is quality work at low prices," Mrs. Ochwat said. "We use the finest materials available."



Abbey Rents Moves to New Torrance Location

Abbey Rents this week opened its new Torrance store at 23845 Hawthorne Blvd. The store will serve Torrance, the Beach Cities, the Peninsula and Harbor areas. It replaces a facility which has been in operation for the past six years at 20356 Hawthorne Blvd.

Designed by Maurice Fleishman, A.I.A., the new store contains 8,000 square feet of space. It is constructed of finished yellow brick and teal blue ceramic tile trim.

Parking for 30 cars is provided at the rear of the store.

GOP Candidate Appoints Gardena Woman to Staff

Appointment of Mrs. Rosemary Peterson of Gardena to head his women for decency committee has been announced by Dr. Don Cortum, Republican candidate for Congress in the 17th District.

Mrs. Peterson, who lives at 2403 W. 129th St., will coordinate speaking engagements for Cortum on the matter of obscenity. Cortum is national co-chairman of Citizens for Decent Literature.

Mrs. Peterson has served as president of the Gardena Valley Youth Counseling Board, Friends of the Library, and the Citizens for Youth. She is the mother of four and is this year's "Citizen of the Year" for Gardena.

Mrs. Peterson will coordinate her activities with others in Cortum's GOP headquarters at 1420 Cabrillo Ave. in downtown Torrance.

Boilerman S.C. Wayne A. Holman, USN, son of Mr. Chester Holman of 616 E. Carson St., is a crew member on board the U.S.S. O'Brien, a First Fleet unit participating in exercise "Eager Angler."

OPENS HERE . . . A new Abbey Rents store has been opened at 23845 Hawthorne Blvd., just north of Pacific Coast Highway, to serve the Torrance-Harbor areas and the Beach cities. The 8,000-square-foot store was designed by Maurice Fleishman, A.I.A. It replaces a facility located at 20356 Hawthorne Blvd. for the past six years.

Army PFC Victor E. Valencia, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Domingo G. Valencia, 2304 Pullman Lane, Redondo Beach, arrived in Qui Nhon, Viet Nam, Aug. 30 with his unit, the 88th Transportation Company (Light Truck). He is a truck driver with the unit, which was formerly stationed at Ft. Hood, Tex.

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Law in Action

When Mrs. Sheppard died, her will left everything to her husband. She had lived in many places and had married three times.

Shortly afterwards, Jim and Jane claimed to be her grandchildren. They laid claim to her estate. If a will-writer marries after making his will and makes no mention of his wife or children, they can claim a part of his estate. Only a mention, no gift, need be made. "Children" sometimes include grandchildren.

Jim and Jane offered facts showing they were indeed Mrs. Sheppard's legal heirs. But the estate also put in evidence showing they could not be related; she never had children nor did she mention any grandchildren.

THE TRIAL judge called this a "close question" but finally ruled the children were not related to the deceased.

Jim and Jane sought a new trial so they could introduce newly found papers and witnesses to show their kinship. They got no new trial.

The law allows a short time for the losing party to seek a new trial. If he does not, his only chance is to appeal to a higher court. Such courts usually review errors of law but not facts. Facts are left to the trial judge.

A trial judge could allow or deny any trial, even though there might be some new evidence. Public policy frowns upon so called "newly discovered evidence." All litigants should put in their evidence at the trial. Otherwise trials might never end. After the judgment comes in, therefore, trying to get in new evidence by asking for a new trial is usually fruitless.

EVEN IN A criminal trial where a person's life or liberty is at stake, a new trial is hard to get after the conviction becomes final. Only if the accused can find such strong evidence that the denial would be a miscarriage of justice will the higher courts order a new trial.

Ensign Richard A. Armstrong, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester A. Armstrong of 21502 Marjorie Ave., is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Officer Candidate School.

The officer candidates from colleges and universities throughout the nation, became acquainted with the naval sciences during the 16-weeks of intensive training.

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